

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-47. (Cancelled)

48. (Currently Amended) A method for generating an aerosol comprising the steps of:

(a) heating a physiologically active compound to vaporize at least a portion of the compound;

(b) cooling the resulting vapor by mixing the vapor with a gas in a predetermined ratio, selected to form an aerosol ~~having a desired particle~~ comprised of particles within a desired size range when a stable concentration of particles in the gas is reached.

49-123. (Canceled)

124. (Currently Amended) A method for generating an aerosol comprising the steps of:

(a) ~~heating~~ depositing a coating comprising a physiologically active compound, deposited onto an electrically conductive mesh a metal screen, by passing a current across the metal screen to vaporize at least a portion of the compound; and

(b) ~~heating the coating by passing a current across the mesh screen to vaporize at least a portion of the compound, while~~ simultaneously passing a gas through the ~~mesh~~ metal screen thereby mixing the resulting vapor with the gas in a predetermined ratio, selected to form an aerosol ~~having a desired particle~~ comprised of particles within a desired size range when a stable concentration of particles in the gas is reached.

125. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 124 wherein the metal mesh screen is a single layer of is stainless steel mesh.

126. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~124~~ 125 wherein the ~~mesh~~ screen comprises a plurality of layers of is 200 mesh.

127. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~125~~ 124 wherein the ~~stainless steel screen mesh~~ is 200 mesh.

128. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 124 wherein the current is supplied by ~~the~~ discharging of a capacitor.

129. (Currently amended) The method of claim 124 wherein the current is passed across the ~~mesh~~ screen for less than about 20 milliseconds.

130. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 124 ~~wherein~~ further comprising administering the resulting aerosol to a patient.

131-183. (Canceled)

184. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 48 further comprising the step of depositing a coating comprising the compound onto a substrate before step (a).

185. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 184 wherein the depositing a coating comprises dissolving the compound in an organic solvent, applying the solution to all or a portion of the substrate and allowing the solvent to evaporate.

186. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 48 wherein the desired particle size range is a mass median aerodynamic diameter between about 1 to 3 microns.

187. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 48 wherein the desired particle size range is a mass median aerodynamic diameter between about 10 to 100 nanometers.

188. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 48 wherein the gas is air.

189. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 48 wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of cannabinoid extracts from cannabis, THC, ketorolac, fentanyl, morphine, testosterone, ibuprofen, codeine, nicotine, Vitamin A, Vitamin E acetate, Vitamin E, nitroglycerin, pilocarpine, mescaline, testosterone enanthate, menthol, phencaramide, methsuximide, eptastigmine, promethazine, procaine, retinol, lidocaine, trimeprazine, isosorbide dinitrate, timolol, methyprylon, etamiphyllin, propoxyphene, salmetrol, vitamin E succinate, methadone, oxprenolol, isoproterenol bitartrate, etaqualone, Vitamin D3, ethambutol, ritodrine, omoconazole, cocaine, lomustine, ketamine, ketoprofen, cilazaprol, propranolol, sufentanil, metaproterenol, pentoxapylline, captopril, loxapine, cyproheptidine, carvediol, trihexylphenadine, alprostadil, melatonin, testosterone propionate, valproic acid, acebutolol, terbutaline, diazepam, topiramate, pentobarbital, alfentanil HCl, papaverine, nicergoline, fluconazole, zafirlukast, testosterone acetate, droperidol, atenolol, metoclopramide, enalapril, albuterol, ketotifen, isoproterenol, amidarone HCl, zileuton, midazolam, oxycodone, cilostazol, propofol, nabilone, gabapentin, famotidine, lorezepam, naltrexone, acetaminophen, sumatriptan, bitolterol, nifedipine, phenobarbital, phentolamine, 13-cis retinoic acid, droprenilamine HCl, amlodipine, caffeine, zopiclone, tramadol HCl, pirbuterol, naloxone, meperidine HCl, trimethobenzamide, nalmefene, scopolamine, sildenafil, carbamazepine, procaterol HCl, methysergide, glutathione, olanzapine, zolpidem, levorphanol, buspirone and mixtures thereof.

190. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 48 wherein an inhalation dose of the compound ~~to be delivered to the patient~~ is vaporized over a period of time no greater than about 2 seconds.

191. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~184~~ 48 wherein the mixing comprises passing the gas across the surface of the coating.

192-197. (Cancelled)

198. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 48 further comprising administering the resulting aerosol to a patient.

199. (Currently Amended) A method for generating an aerosol comprising the steps of:

(a) ~~heating~~ depositing a coating comprising a therapeutic amount of a physiologically active compound deposited onto a substrate to vaporize at least a portion of the compound;

(b) ~~heating the coating to vaporize at least a portion of the compound~~;

(~~e~~) (b) cooling the resulting vapor by mixing the vapor with a gas in a predetermined ratio, selected to form an aerosol ~~having a desired particle comprised of particles within a desired size range~~ when a stable concentration of particles in the gas is reached.

200-203. (Cancelled)

204. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 199 wherein the desired particle size range is a mass median aerodynamic diameter between about 1 to 3 microns.

205. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 199 wherein the desired particle size range is a mass median aerodynamic diameter between about 10 to 100 nanometers.

206. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 199 wherein the gas is air.

207. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 199 wherein an inhalation dose of the compound ~~to be delivered to the patient~~ is vaporized over a period of time no greater than about 2 seconds.

208. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 199 wherein the mixing comprises passing the gas across the surface of the coating.

209. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 199 further comprising administering the resulting aerosol to a patient.

210. (New) The method of claim 48 wherein the stable concentration is about 10^9 particles/cc.

211. (New) The method of claim 124 wherein the stable concentration is about 10^9 particles/cc.

212. (New) The method of claim 199 wherein the stable concentration is about 10^9 particles/cc.

213. (New) A method for generating an aerosol comprising the steps of:

- (a) heating a physiologically active compound to vaporize at least a portion of the compound;
- (b) cooling the resulting vapor by mixing the vapor with a gas in a predetermined ratio, selected to form an aerosol comprised of particles within a desired size range that are sufficiently stable that they will remain within that range during the time necessary to administer the aerosol to a patient.

214. (New) The method of claim 213 further comprising the step of depositing a coating comprising the compound onto a substrate before step (a).

215. (New) The method of claim 214 wherein the depositing a coating comprises dissolving the compound in an organic solvent, applying the solution to all or a portion of the substrate and allowing the solvent to evaporate.

216. (New) The method of claim 213 wherein the desired size range is a mass median aerodynamic diameter between about 1 to 3 microns.

217. (New) The method of claim 213 wherein the desired size range is a mass median aerodynamic diameter between about 10 to 100 nanometers.

218. (New) The method of claim 213 wherein the gas is air.

219. (New) The method of claim 213 wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of cannabinoid extracts from cannabis, THC, ketorolac, fentanyl, morphine, testosterone, ibuprofen, codeine, nicotine, Vitamin A, Vitamin E acetate, Vitamin E, nitroglycerin, pilocarpine, mescaline, testosterone enanthate, menthol, phencaramide, methsuximide, eptastigmine, promethazine, procaine, retinol, lidocaine, trimeprazine, isosorbide dinitrate, timolol, methyprylon, etamiphyllin, propoxyphene, salmetrol, vitamin E succinate, methadone, oxprenolol, isoproterenol bitartrate, etaqualone, Vitamin D3, ethambutol, ritodrine, omoconazole, cocaine, lomustine, ketamine, ketoprofen, cilazaprol, propranolol, sufentanil, metaproterenol, pentoxapylline, captopril, loxapine, cyproheptidine, carvediol, trihexylphenadine, alprostadil, melatonin, testosterone propionate, valproic acid, acebutolol, terbutaline, diazepam, topiramate, pentobarbital, alfentanil HCl, papaverine, nicergoline, fluconazole, zafirlukast, testosterone acetate, droperidol, atenolol, metoclopramide, enalapril, albuterol, ketotifen, isoproterenol, amidarone HCl, zileuton, midazolam, oxycodone, cilostazol, propofol, nabilone, gabapentin, famotidine, lorezepam, naltrexone, acetaminophen, sumatriptan, bitolterol, nifedipine, phenobarbital, phentolamine, 13-cis retinoic acid, droprenilamine HCl, amlodipine, caffeine, zopiclone, tramadol HCl, pirbuterol, naloxone, meperidine HCl, trimethobenzamide, nalmefene, scopolamine, sildenafil, carbamazepine, procaterol

HCl, methysergide, glutathione, olanzapine, zolpidem, levorphanol, buspirone and mixtures thereof.

220. (New) The method of claim 213 wherein an inhalation dose of the compound is vaporized over a period of time no greater than about 2 seconds.

221. (New) The method of claim 213 wherein the mixing comprises passing the gas across the surface of the coating.

222. (New) The method of claim 213 further comprising administering the resulting aerosol to a patient.

223. (New) A method for generating an aerosol comprising the steps of:

- (a) heating a coating comprising a therapeutic amount of a physiologically active compound deposited onto a substrate to vaporize at least a portion of the compound;
- (b) cooling the resulting vapor by mixing the vapor with a gas in a predetermined ratio, selected to form an aerosol comprised of particles within a desired size range that are sufficiently stable that they will remain within that range during the time necessary to administer the aerosol to a patient.

224. (New) The method of claim 223 wherein the particle size is a mass median aerodynamic diameter between about 1 to 3 microns.

225. (New) The method of claim 223 wherein the particle size is a mass median aerodynamic diameter between about 10 to 100 nanometers.

226. (New) The method of claim 223 wherein the gas is air.

227. (New) The method of claim 223 wherein an inhalation dose of the compound is vaporized over a period of time no greater than about 2 seconds.

228. (New) The method of claim 223 wherein the mixing comprises passing the gas across the surface of the coating.

229. (New) The method of claim 223 further comprising administering the resulting aerosol to a patient.